

Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
decision to force  
their stations to  
air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
is a clear example  
of the dangers of  
media consolidation.  
I respectfully  
request that you  
either require  
Sinclair to give  
equal time to an  
opposing view such  
as Fahrenheit911 or  
to a pro-Kerry piece  
such as "Going  
Upriver" also to be  
shown before the  
election or that the  
anti-Kerry  
documentary be  
delayed until after  
the election.

Sinclair uses the  
public airwaves free  
of charge, and is  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. Choosing  
to use these free  
public airwaves for  
partisan political  
promotions giving  
unbalanced emphasis  
to one view is not  
in the interests of  
the public or of  
democracy.

When large companies  
control the  
airwaves, we get  
more of what's good  
for the bottom line  
and less of what we  
need for our  
democracy. Instead  
of something  
produced at "News  
Central" far away,  
it's more important  
that we see real  
people from our own  
communities and more  
substantive news  
about issues that  
matter.

Sinclair's actions  
show why we need to  
strengthen media

ownership rules, not  
weaken them. They  
show why the license  
renewal process  
needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard.

Please do your duty  
and ensure that  
Sinclair is held to  
the standard of  
using our airwaves  
to serve our greater  
interest and not  
one-sided political  
propogandizing.  
Thank you.